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IWRB SETS JUNE 4 MEETING **ON DWORSHAK FLOW RELEASE STRATEGIES**

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Water release strategies from Dworshak Reservoir for the coming year and other regional water issues will be discussed at the annual Dworshak operation plan meetings set for June 4, the Idaho Water Resource Board announced today.

The meetings also will look at mitigation issues related to Dworshak and other U.S. Corps of Engineer dams in Idaho. A proposed regional municipal water system designed to serve Orofino, the Dworshak project and the surrounding area also will be discussed.

Officials will actually hold two separate meetings on June 4, an afternoon and an evening session. The first, a two-hour meeting that begins at 2:30 p.m., deals with mitigation issues plus the regional municipal water system.

The second meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. and runs until 9:00 p.m. It deals with annual flow release strategies for the Dworshak Reservoir.

Both meetings are to be held at the Dworshak Visitor Center located on the west side of the dam.

The annual meeting is an outgrowth of the Dworshak Operation Plan adopted by the Board in December 2000 and ratified by Idaho Legislature in its 2001 session. The plan committed the Board to meet annually with the Corps of Engineers to discuss flow release strategies.

A copy of the agenda for the two meetings is available on the Internet at <http://www.idwr.state.id.us/info/schedule/>. You can also call Bill Graham, head of the Water Planning Bureau at (208) 327-7966.

The meeting will be held in a facility that meets the requirements of the Americans with Disability Act. If you need special assistance to attend, participate in or understanding the meetings, please contact Graham in advance so arrangements can be made.